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Application Number May 19, 2004 10/848,773 Filed For VESSEL SEALER AND DIVIDER Art Unit 3739 Examiner Michael F. Peffley This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below): Small Entity Fee **Fee** 120.00 One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)) \$120 \$60 Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) \$450 \$225 Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) \$1020 \$510 Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) \$1590 \$795 Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) \$2160 \$1080 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to 21-0550 **Deposit Account Number** . I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet. WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038. I am the applicant/inventor. assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96). 41,189 attorney or agent of record_Registration Number attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34. Registration number 1 acting under 37 CFR 1.34 August 9, 2007 10848773 Date Edward C. Me agher 631-501-5708 Telephone Number NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below. L20.00 DA Total of forms are submitted. CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8(a)

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